

First Language Use in the Second Language Classroom

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ABSTRACT

The subject of the research is the use of first language in the process of learning second language in the second language classroom. In this research, two usages will be considered: teachers' use, and students' use. Several teaching methods are used by the teachers in the second language classroom: the holistic approach (including visual, auditory and kinesthetic learning style), the silent way, and total physical response. In this paper two methods will be considered: analytic and comparison. Implications of this research will be used in the classroom to improve classroom management making the input comprehensible and easy to follow, to lower affective filters allowing deeper and more profound input of the second language, to reduce the levels of language anxiety thus improving communication and comprehension of the second language, and also for psychological and pedagogical teaching improvements.